

Other Initiatives

HB2223 SD1

RELATING TO BOXING.

Conforms state law to the federal Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996, incorporates into law current practices and procedures, clarifies the Boxing Commission's jurisdiction over professional boxing contests, and makes general housekeeping revisions.

HB2341 HD1

RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Provides for staggered terms for the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation.

HB2354

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO RISK MANAGEMENT.

Increase the spending ceiling of the risk management revolving fund to pay for prior year's and current losses (such as floods and school fires) that exceed the current ceiling.

HB2363 HD1 SD2

RELATING TO PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATIONS.

Adopts Revised Model Nonprofit Corporation Act provisions relating to oversight of charitable and educational nonprofits by the Attorney General.

HB2378

RELATING TO THE SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

Amends Chapter 26-35, HRS, to state that every board and commission established within a department is considered an arm of the State and enjoys the same sovereign immunity available to the state.

HB2385 HD1 SD1

RELATING TO ACCESS TO VITAL STATISTICS RECORDS BY CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

Allows state and federal agencies conducting activities under the federal Title IV-D child support enforcement program to have direct access to vital statistics records maintained by the Department of Health, Office of Health Status Monitoring. (SD1)

HB2414

RELATING TO DENTAL INSURANCE.

Extends by one year the time to liquidate the insolvent dental plan, Hawaii Dental Health Plan. This change will allow DCCA to continue to seek monies to repay provider and consumer creditors.

HB2418

RELATING TO ABANDONED APPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSES.

Clarifies if an application for a professional or vocational license is not completed and/or the required supporting documents are not submitted to DCCA within two years, the application will be considered abandoned.

HB2426

RELATING TO THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ELEVATOR MECHANICS.

Revises the training requirements for licensing of elevator mechanics to conform with federal and state apprenticeship standards.

HB2446

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING INCREASES.

This Admin. bill funds collective bargaining increases in the Department of Education for units 1 and 5 that were effective January 2003 but inadvertently omitted from the governor's biennium budget proposal. Appropriates \$7.4 million for FY04.

HB2466

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM.

Makes an emergency appropriation in FY04 of \$3,055,896 to allow the state to meet its legal obligation to pay for workers' compensation claims.

HB2511 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING.

Conforms the state withholding tax remittance due date for employers with an annual state withholding tax liability that exceeds \$40,000, to the remittance due date required under federal employment tax provisions. Also changes the state remittance due date from monthly to "semi-weekly" and lowers the electronic funds transfer threshold amount for withholding taxes to amounts that exceed \$40,000.

HB2523 HD1 SD1 CD1**RELATING TO PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGES.**

Clarifies that passenger facility charges are exempt from transfers to pay for central service expenses.

SB2005**RELATING TO MEDICAL RECORDS.**

Requires mental health service providers to notify clients that the client's records will be released for billing purposes to the client's insurer. The information may only be released to the insurer after the patient has been offered the opportunity to pay the reimbursement claim directly and has declined to pay.

SB2815**RELATING TO MILK CONTROL.**

Transfers from the Governor to the Director of Agriculture the responsibility to sign an order every month establishing a salvage value price for milk. The formula upon which the price is set is approved by the Governor.

SB2820**RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.**

Revises statutory provisions that impair the transfer of agricultural land from the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Agriculture by allowing the transfer of multiple, non-geographically adjacent parcels of land.

SB2834 SD2 HD2 CD1**MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES.**

Appropriates funds for the payment of claims against the State for: refunds of taxes; judgments and settlements; and other miscellaneous payments.

SB2839 SD2 HD2 CD1**RELATING TO SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES.**

Strengthens oversight of professional solicitors and professional fundraising counsel who conduct fundraising for charitable organizations. Transfers oversight thereof from DCCA to the attorney general. Establishes the solicitation of funds for charitable purposes special fund.

SB2899 SD2 HD1**RELATING TO NURSES.**

Amends the nursing laws to reflect recognition of advanced practice registered nurses and revises licensing and other provisions regulating the nursing profession for consistency in statutory language. In addition, this measure: (1) Requires proof of eligibility from graduates of foreign nursing programs; (2) Requires that the Board retain applicant documents for two years; (3) Revises annual formulary reporting requirements; and (4) Adds Board provisions for inactive license renewal.

SB2902 SD2**RELATING TO TELEMARKETING.**

Specifies that a violation of the federal Do-Not-Call provisions constitutes an unfair or deceptive trade practice under Hawaii State law.

SB2905**RELATING TO MEDICAL BOARD DISCIPLINARY ACTION.**

Expands the types of disciplinary actions the Board of Medical Examiners may impose by adding the sanctions of censure and reprimand, thereby allowing the severest sanctions (i.e. suspension or revocation of license) to be used after intermediate sanctions have been imposed.

Increasing Law Enforcement's Capabilities

HB2439**RELATING TO CIVIL DEFENSE SIRENS.**

This measure will allow for expedited construction, installation, maintenance, repair, and/or replacement of civil defense warning or signal devices and sirens by exempting them from rules and regulations that are a hindrance to the protection of the public safety.

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HB2337 HD1 SD1

RELATING TO NAME CHANGES.

This admin. bill amends provisions relating to change of name by reducing the filing fee from 100 to 50 dollars.
